

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 28, 2001

SUBJECT: Self-Determination Update

FROM: Self-Determination Coordinator

TO: Tribal Health Directors
Tribal Chairpersons
Urban Executive Directors
GLITC and ITC of MI Health Directors
Self-Governance Coordinators
Service Unit Directors

Note: Please make copies available to interested council members and health boards

Update on the Area Strategic Planning Meeting

The Area Office has scheduled a two-day Area-wide Strategic Planning Session to meet with tribal, urban, and Service Unit representatives of the Indian health care delivery systems in the Bemidji Area. The purpose is to review accomplishments of the last strategic plan and have participants identify through consensus what the Area Office needs to focus on over the next 5 years to best compliment and support the services available to tribes/service units and urban programs.

According to departmental policy, we must receive DHHS approval prior to holding any meeting with more than 5 federal employees. Our request is still pending due to the workload backlog because of the recent events in NYC and Washington DC. Since the cut-off date for hotel reservations is October 1st, I would recommend you make your reservations now and assume the meeting will be approved. You will have to cancel your reservations should the meeting be postponed.

The meeting will be held at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center- Green Bay, 2040 Airport Drive, Green Bay, WI. starting at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 23, 2001 and continuing through 4:30 on Wednesday, October 24, 2001. To obtain a hotel room at the group rate of \$59, you must make your reservations

by the cut-off date October 1, 2001. Call the hotel's reservation department at 1-800-333-3333 or the hotel direct at 920/494-7300. In order to receive the group rate, you must ask for a room in the *Bemidji Indian Health Center* room block. Also please let us know how many representatives will be attending from your program to assure adequate accommodations.

Winter Tribal Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting

The Winter TAB Meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, December 13, 2001 from 8:30 – 4:30 p.m. at the Homewood Suites in Bloomington, Minnesota (near the Mall of America). Please call the hotel at 952/854-0900 to make your reservations as soon as possible to assure you get the government rate.

Community Health Leadership Program

Each year, the Robert Wood Johnson Community Health Leadership Program (CHLP) honors ten outstanding individuals who overcome daunting odds to expand access to health care and social services to underserved and isolated populations in communities across the United States. Each is awarded \$100,000: \$95,000 for program support and \$5,000 as a personal stipend. Go to <http://www.communityhealthleaders.org> for more information on the eligibility criteria and to apply on-line with a letter of intent. The letter of intent must be received by 12/04/01 and if accepted, a nomination packet will be mailed to you.

FY01 Indirect CSC Distribution

Enclosed are the three (3) spreadsheets for distribution of FY 2001 IDC Shortfall Funds as well as a summary distribution sheet entitled "Bemidji Area Indian Health Service FY01 IDC Distribution" that shows we are distributing a total of \$808,973. These funds include two (2) advice of allowances with new IDC Shortfall Funds recurring to the Area from IHS HQ and also the distribution of the Area pool of undistributed IDC Funds.

All Indirect CSC is paid to the awardee as non-recurring funds. Each awardee's requirement for indirect CSC was determined by calculating changes, if any, in direct cost rates, bases, and pools. This is the process we just completed prior to distribution of these funds. Please refer to the summary sheet "Bemidji Area Indian Health Service FY01 IDC Distribution" - Column F for the tribal specific increases to be added to FY 2001 funding agreements.

If you have any questions, please call me at 218/444-0472.

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